

REMARKS

Upon entry of the present amendment, claims 1, 2, 7, 9-11 and 30 are pending. Claims 4, 12, 15, 17, 19, 20, 23-29 and 32 have been cancelled. Claims 3, 5, 6, 8, 13, 14, 16, 18, 21, 22, 31, 33 and 34-67 were cancelled in prior amendments. Applicants expressly reserve the right to pursue prosecution of the cancelled subject matter in continuation applications.

Status of the claims

In the Advisory Action mailed December 16, 2004, claims 1, 2, 4, 7, 9-12, 30 and 32 are deemed allowable and claims 15, 17, 19, 20 and 23-29 remain rejected.

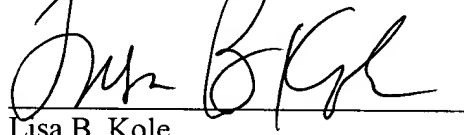
To further prosecution and obtain an allowance in the present application, Applicants have cancelled claims 4, 12, 15, 17, 19, 20, 23-29 and 32. These claims are cancelled without prejudice to the prosecution of their subject matter in other applications. As a result, only claims 1, 2, 7, 9-11, and 30 are deemed allowable.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully request the issuance of a Notice of Allowance for claims 1, 2, 7, 9-11 and 30.

Applicants request a two month extension of time and enclose herewith the requisite fee as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(2). Applicant does not believe that any additional fee is required in connection with the submission of this document. However, should any fee be required, or if any overpayment has been made, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees, or credit or any overpayments made, to Deposit Account 02-4377. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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